

**Minutes of the Public Works Committee
December 9, 2010**

Chair David Swan called the meeting to order at 8:31 a.m.

Committee Members Present: County Board Supervisors David Swan (Chair), Pauline Jaske, Walter Kolb, Pamela Meyer, Kathy Chiaverotti, Peter Gundrum. **Absent:** Supervisor Tom Schellinger.

Also Present: County Board Chief of Staff Mark Mader, Legislative Associate Karen Phillips, Engineering Services Manager Gary Evans, Facilities Supervisor Javier Ramos, Airport Manager Keith Markano, Planning and Zoning Manager Jason Fruth, Assistant Corporation Counsel Marylee Richmond, Senior Civil Engineer Mike Grulke.

Approve Minutes of November 11, 2010

MOTION: Kolb moved, second by Jaske, to approve the minutes of November 11, 2010.
Motion carried 6-0.

Executive Committee Meeting of November 15, 2010

- Swan reviewed the items discussed, including sale values for County-owned foreclosure properties and updates on the following Information Technology projects: CAD system replacement, financial system replacement, asset management system implementation, tax system replacement, and workforce management system.

Future Agenda Item

- Future meeting to be held at the Retzer Nature Center (during summer months).

Future Meeting Date

- January 13, 2011

Ordinance 165-O-072: Approve Transfer Of Conditionally Dedicated Outlots For Barker-Johnson Road Extension From Waukesha County To The City Of New Berlin And From Waukesha County To Illing Farms Ltd.

Fruth and Richmond were present to discuss this ordinance to approve the transfer of 32.4 acres of County-owned land in the City of New Berlin to the City and Illing Farms Ltd., in accordance with a stipulation noted on the Rustic Ridge Subdivision plat.

MOTION: Jaske moved, second by Chiaverotti, to approve Ordinance 165-O-072.

Fruth stated he did confer with former Planning and Zoning Manager Dick Mace for more historical background regarding the subject matter of this ordinance. In 1998, Outlot 1 (19.1 acres) and Outlot 2 (13.3 acres) of Block 2 of the Rustic Ridge plat were conditionally dedicated by Illing Farms to Waukesha County for future highway use. The permanent dedication was conditioned upon the County constructing or mapping a County highway through the subject area within twelve years of the transfer date. The intention was to provide for a Barker-Johnson Road extension, creating a major arterial connecting the northern and southern parts of the County. Fruth stated in 1998, they were operating under the jurisdictional highway plan as set forth in the SEWRPC 2010 Regional Transportation Plan. That plan showed a four-lane alignment extending from Racine Avenue north into Brookfield, creating a direct connection from I-43 to I-94 and beyond.

The County Board took action relative to the SEWRPC 2020 Regional Transportation Plan to specifically remove the Barker-Johnson Road (County Y) extension from that plan and set forth that the alignment should be removed from future transportation plans. The SEWRPC 2035 Regional Transportation Plan, prepared in 2006, removed the alignment.

Richmond discussed the particulars of the legalities involved. In 2007, attorneys for the Illings began contacting the County for return of the subject property because a potential buyer was interested in purchasing it; however, the County resisted at that time because of the twelve-year stipulation. As twelve years have now passed, the attorneys for the Illings again contacted the County for return of the property. After looking at the issues in depth, the County has determined that because the road has not been constructed nor mapped, the appropriate response would be to return the subject properties back to the Illings and the City of New Berlin in accordance with the stipulation on the subdivision plat.

Kolb expressed his frustration with the issue presented because of the shortage of north/south roads in the County; this appears to be more of a political decision rather than a common sense decision, and in all likelihood it may not be the right thing for the citizens of the County.

Meyer asked if the County bought the land. Richmond stated no, it was conditionally dedicated. There is no money exchanging hands.

Mader asked what the impact would be if this ordinance were not approved. Richmond advised the case would go to litigation and the County would likely lose.

Kolb agreed to support the ordinance, as it is the only prudent thing to do at this time. Swan concurred with Kolb about the need for more north/south connections within Waukesha County and shared his concern for the citizens of Waukesha County in respect to this issue.

Motion carried 6-0.

Approval of Bid: Crites Field Hanger Roof Repairs (DPW11816)

Ramos and Markano were present to discuss the bid recommendation. Ramos explained that during the October windstorms, three hangars sustained roof damage. The hangar that sustained the most significant damage was bid as an alternate. Robert's Roofing and Siding responded with the lowest bid in both the base bid and the alternate bid. Ramos recommended awarding the bid to Robert's Roofing and Siding.

Kolb asked whether the hangars were occupied at the time. Markano explained that impacted tenants were moved to other airport hangars areas having vacancies. Equipment remaining in the affected hangars was covered and tarps were placed. Kolb opined that out of consideration of the tenants paying rent, the repairs should have been taken care of right away, rather than waiting through this lengthy bid process. Ramos noted that a much better price was garnered through the bidding process. An initial estimate given by Waukesha Roofing was significantly higher. Ramos stated an insurance claim would be submitted for the roof repairs.

MOTION: Kolb moved, second by Chiaverotti, to approve the bid by Roberts Roofing and Siding for the base bid and alternate A in the amount of \$51,568. Motion carried 6-0.

Presentation: How Speed Limits are Determined

Grulke gave a PowerPoint presentation on how speed limits are determined on county trunk highways. Evans was also present to answer questions and offer additional input during the presentation. Grulke explained how speed limits on county highways are established by law, according to Wisconsin State Statutes. A chart taken from the *Wisconsin Statewide Speed Management Guidelines, June 2009, Speed Limits and Authority to Change*, was distributed. Grulke reviewed the procedures followed by the County under the guidance of the 2009 version of the *Wisconsin Statewide Management Guidelines*, which were adopted by the Department of Public Works early in 2010. Grulke further explained how a spot speed study is conducted, including how the data is collected and calculated, and discussed implications of speed zone recommendations.

MOTION: Jaske moved, second by Meyer, to adjourn at 9:54 a.m. Motion carried 6-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Pauline T. Jaske
Secretary